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In re Application of: )  
Tunc M. Kahveci, et al. )  
Serial No: 09/589,414 ) Art Unit: 2141  
Filed: 7 June 2000 ) Examiner: Quang N. Nguyen  
For: A Computer System for )  
Managing Data Exchanges )  
Among a Plurality of Network )  
Nodes )  
Attorney Docket No. 10717RNUS01U )

Commissioner for Patents  
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## AMENDMENT

In response to the Official Action dated 1 October 2003, which sets a three-month shortened statutory period to expire on 1 January 2003, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections, together with allowance of all claims pending in the present application. Applicants also request a one-month extension of time to respond to the 1 October 2003 Official Action and submit herewith a Fee Transmittal (and copy) and Credit Card Payment Form to pay the required fees.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page two (2) of this paper.

Remarks begin on page fourteen (14) of this paper.

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